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Only 160 New Names Posted to Internet Site --But Almost a Million Hits--

The Indiana Department of Revenue added only 160 new state tax warrants to its new INdebt Internet listing on August 1, 2004, report Department officials. Although fewer names are being added monthly compared to the inception of the Internet posting last month, the INdebt web site experienced approximately one million hits and over 150,000 searches in the first several weeks of its operation.

The names of approximately 26,800 delinquent individual and corporate taxpayers owing at least \$1,000 in back state income taxes for over two years were first posted on the Department's web site (www.in.gov/dor/) July 1 in accordance with Indiana Public Law 1365-2004.

So far, over \$1.6 million has been collected, with \$1.1 million of that amount coming in *before* the July 1 posting as a result of notices mailed to delinquent taxpayers. Affected taxpayers were advised that their names, addresses and amounts of tax owed would be published on the Internet if their state tax debts were not paid. In addition, more than \$926,000 in payment plans have been established. New warrants that meet the criteria will be posted on the first of each month.

Indiana's INdebt database is searchable by individual name, business name or by county name (also by Warrant Number or Liability Number). Database information may be browsed or downloaded by anyone with access to the Internet.

Information regarding the program, such as why an individual or company might be on the listing, how to get *off* the INdebt list, details of the collection process, automated balance information, taxpayer rights and responsibilities, available payment methods, and how to find out if names listed have other liabilities *not* published on INdebt – is all available at the Department's web site, www.IN.gov/dor.

(Please see new important message for reporters on backside.)

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To view the Indebt list of delinquent taxpayers (updated at the first of each month), go to www.IN.gov/apps/dor/tax/warrants/welcome.jsp.

We hope our new redesigned web site is easier for you to use, and we welcome your comments.

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